

House Resolution 122 - Introduced

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 122

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1 A Resolution to celebrate the highlights for the 2009
2 football season of the University of Iowa football
3 team.

4 WHEREAS, the 2009 University of Iowa football team
5 will be remembered as one of the most entertaining,
6 talented, and successful teams in Hawkeye history; and

7 WHEREAS, the 11 wins equals the program's 2002
8 record for victories in a season; and

9 WHEREAS, the regular season win total of 10 was
10 achieved for only the fourth time; and

11 WHEREAS, for the first time ever, the Hawkeyes won
12 the first nine games of a season; and

13 WHEREAS, Iowa played in a January bowl game for the
14 sixth time in eight years; and

15 WHEREAS, Iowa won a Bowl Championship Series-caliber
16 bowl game for the first time since 1959 in beating
17 Georgia Tech in the 2010 FedEx Orange Bowl 24-14; and

18 WHEREAS, the Hawkeyes finished the 2009 season
19 with an 11-2 overall record and a 6-2 Big Ten mark,
20 finishing in a second place tie; and

21 WHEREAS, the Hawkeyes have won at least nine games
22 for the fifth time in the last eight years and for the
23 seventh time in school history have won 10 games or
24 more; and

25 WHEREAS, the Hawkeyes were ranked seventh in both
26 major polls at the conclusion of the season, the
27 highest final ranking for the program since 1960; and

1 WHEREAS, defensive end Adrian Clayborn was named
2 Most Valuable Player of the FedEx Orange Bowl; and

3 WHEREAS, Coach Kirk Ferentz was named Big Ten Coach
4 of the Year for the third time; and

5 WHEREAS, offensive tackle Bryan Bulaga was picked as
6 the Big Ten's Offensive Lineman of the Year; and

7 WHEREAS, All-Big Ten first teamers included Bryan
8 Bulaga (OL), Dace Richardson (OL), Tony Moeaki (TE),
9 Adrian Clayborn (DE), Pat Angerer (LB), Tyler Sash
10 (DB), and Amari Spivey (DB), and five additional
11 Hawkeyes were named to the league's second unit; and

12 WHEREAS, Bryan Bulaga and Pat Angerer were named
13 first-team all-Americans, Tyler Sash was a second team
14 choice, and Adrian Clayborn made the third team; and

15 WHEREAS, the Iowa Hawkeyes have earned 70 wins
16 since the start of the 2002 season, which places them
17 at a tie for the 16th highest total in Division I
18 football; and

19 WHEREAS, Iowa's football record in the 2000 decade
20 was 80-45 (.640), a record that ranks as the best
21 decade in Iowa football history, based on total
22 wins; NOW THEREFORE,

23 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
24 That the House of Representatives congratulates the
25 University of Iowa football team for a stellar season
26 and looks forward to a great season in 2010.